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1. PRESS PUBLISHED JULY 17 FOLLOWING STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT TITO CONCERNING EVENTS ON CYPRUS: "THE ATTEMPTED PUTSCH ON CYPRUS, BEYOND WHICH STANDS A FOREIGN COUNTRY, REPRESENTS THE GROSSEST ASSULT ON THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND INTEGRITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS, ON ITS GOVERNMENT AND ON PRESIDENT MAKARIOS. THE PEOPLES OF YUGOSLAVIA MOST RESOLUTELY DENOUNCE THIS BASE ATTACK ON A FRIENDLY, NONALIGNED COUNTRY, ON THE FREE DEVELOPMENT OF A SMALL PEOPLE WHICH FOR MANY YEARS NOW HAS BEEN ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF JUST INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION IN THE WORLD.

2. "IT IS WITH THE DEEPEST INDIGNATION THAT I RECEIVED THE NEWS THAT THE PUTCHISTS DIRECTED THEIR CRIMINAL ACTION ABOVE ALL AT THE PHYSICAL LIQUIDATION OF MY GREAT FRIEND AND FRIEND OF YUGOSLAVIA, PRESIDENT  
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MAKARIOS, THE SYMBOL OF THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE OF THE CYPRIOT PEOPLE,

PROMINENT CHAMPION OF EQUAL AND DEMOCRATIC RELATIONS IN THE WORLD, PROVEN ADVOCATE OF THE POLICY OF NONALIGNMENT FROM THE FIRST DAY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF HIS COUNTRY.

3. "PRESIDENT MAKARIOS, PARTICIPANT IN ALL THE SUMMIT CONFERENCES OF THE NONALIGNED COUNTRIES, HAS MADE AN EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE ELABORATION AND REALIZATION OF THE PRINCIPLES AND GOALS OF NONALIGNMENT, AND THE STRUGGLE FOR PEACE, INDEPENDENCE AND FREEDOM OF ALL PEOPLES.

4. "THE DANGER ACCOMPANYING THIS ARMED INTERVENTION IS ALL THE GREATER SINCE IT HAS OCCURRED IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE FOCUS OF THE CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST WHICH HAS INCESSANTLY ENCUMBERED INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND THREATENED PEACE AND SECURITY.

5. "IT IS WITH THE GREATEST CONCERN THAT I HAVE LEARNED OF, AND I HAVE BEEN DEEPLY TOUCHED BY, THE APPEAL OF PRESIDENT MAKARIOS. I SUPPORT THIS APPEAL IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND WITH THE CONVICTION THAT THE NONALIGNED AND ALL FRIENDLY COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THE OTHER FACTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR PEACE AND STABILITY IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD WILL RESPOND WITH HASTE TO THE JUST DEMANDS OF PRESIDENT MAKARIOS.

6. "YUGOSLAVIA, FOR ITS PART, AS A COUNTRY DIRECTLY INTERESTED IN PEACE IN THIS AREA, WILL DO EVERYTHING TO HAVE THE UNITED NATIONS, AND THE NONALIGNED AND OTHER FRIENDLY COUNTRIES EXTEND FULL SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO THE CYPRIOT PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT IN DEFENSE OF FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE."  
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